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STATUS OF THE PROTOCOLS ADDITIONAL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF 1949 AND RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF VICTIMS OF ARMED CONFLICTS

Report of the Secretary-General

1. After information was circulated on the status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts, as contained in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General (A/47/324), 12 more countries have ratified, acceded or succeeded to the Protocols, namely, Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Moldova, Slovakia, Tajikistan and Zimbabwe. Greece, which had previously ratified Protocol I has now acceded to Protocol II.

2. The list of all States that have ratified, acceded or succeeded to the Protocols as at 16 July 1993, as communicated by the competent authorities of the Government of Switzerland, depositary of the Protocols, appears in the annex to the present report.

ANNEX

List of States parties to the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 as at 16 July 1993 a/

State	Date of ratification, accession, or succession
Albania	16 July 1993
Algeria*	16 August 1989
Angola* (Protocol I only)	20 September 1984
Antigua and Barbuda	6 October 1986
Argentina*	26 November 1986
Armenia	7 June 1993
Australia*	21 June 1991
Austria*	13 August 1982
Bahamas	10 April 1980
Bahrain	30 October 1986
Bangladesh	8 September 1980
Barbados	19 February 1990
Belarus*	23 October 1989
Belgium*	20 May 1986
Belize	29 June 1984
Benin	28 May 1986
Bolivia*	8 December 1983
Bosnia and Herzegovina*	31 December 1992
Botswana	23 May 1979
Brazil	5 May 1992
Brunei Darussalam	14 October 1991
Bulgaria	26 September 1989
Burkina Faso	20 October 1987
Burundi	10 June 1993
Cameroon	16 March 1984
Canada*	20 November 1990
Central African Republic	17 July 1984
Chile*	24 April 1991
China*	14 September 1983
Comoros	21 November 1985
Congo	10 November 1983
Costa Rica	15 December 1983
Côte d'Ivoire	20 September 1989
Croatia*	11 May 1992
Cuba (Protocol I only)	25 November 1982
Cyprus (Protocol I only)	1 June 1979
Czech Republic	5 February 1993
Democratic People's Republic of Korea (Protocol I only)	9 March 1988

* Ratification, accession or succession accompanied by a reservation and/or a declaration.

State	Date of ratification, accession, or succession
Denmark*	17 June 1982
Djibouti	8 April 1991
Ecuador	10 April 1979
Egypt*	9 October 1992
El Salvador	23 November 1978
Equatorial Guinea	24 July 1986
Estonia	18 January 1993
Finland*	7 August 1980
France* (Protocol II only)	24 February 1984
Gabon	8 April 1980
Gambia	12 January 1989
Germany*	14 February 1991
Ghana	28 February 1978
Greece (Protocol I and Protocol II)	15 February 1993
Guatemala	19 October 1987
Guinea	11 July 1984
Guinea-Bissau	21 October 1986
Guyana	18 January 1988
Holy See*	21 November 1985
Hungary*	12 April 1989
Iceland*	10 April 1987
Italy*	27 February 1986
Jamaica	29 July 1986
Jordan	1 May 1979
Kazakhstan	5 May 1992
Kyrgyzstan	18 September 1992
Kuwait	17 January 1985
Lao People's Democratic Republic	18 November 1980
Latvia	24 December 1991
Liberia	30 June 1988
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	7 June 1978
Liechtenstein*	10 August 1989
Luxembourg*	29 August 1989
Madagascar	8 May 1992
Malawi	7 October 1991
Maldives	3 September 1991
Mali	8 February 1989
Malta*	17 April 1989
Mauritania	14 March 1980
Mauritius	22 March 1982
Mexico (Protocol I only)	10 March 1983
Mozambique (Protocol I only)	14 March 1983
Netherlands*	26 June 1987
New Zealand*	8 February 1988
Niger	8 June 1979
Nigeria	10 October 1988
Norway*	14 December 1981
Oman*	29 March 1984
Paraguay	30 November 1990
Peru	14 July 1989

State	Date of ratification, accession, or succession
Philippines (Protocol II only)	11 December 1986
Poland*	23 October 1991
Portugal	27 May 1992
Qatar* (Protocol I only)	5 April 1988
Republic of Korea*	15 January 1982
Republic of Moldova	24 May 1993
Romania	21 June 1990
Russian Federation*	29 September 1989
Rwanda	19 November 1984
Saint Kitts and Nevis	14 February 1986
Saint Lucia	7 October 1982
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	8 April 1983
Samoa	23 August 1984
Saudi Arabia* (Protocol I only)	21 August 1987
Senegal	7 May 1985
Seychelles*	8 November 1984
Sierra Leone	21 October 1986
Slovakia	2 April 1993
Slovenia*	26 March 1992
Solomon Islands	19 September 1988
Spain*	21 April 1989
Suriname	16 December 1985
Sweden*	31 August 1979
Switzerland*	17 February 1982
Syrian Arab Republic* (Protocol I only)*	14 November 1983
Tajikistan	13 January 1993
Togo*	21 June 1984
Tunisia	9 August 1979
Turkmenistan	10 April 1992
Uganda	13 March 1991
Ukraine*	25 January 1990
United Arab Emirates*	9 March 1983
United Republic of Tanzania	15 February 1983
Uruguay*	13 December 1985
Vanuatu	28 February 1985
Viet Nam (Protocol I only)	19 October 1981
Yemen	17 April 1990
Yugoslavia*	11 June 1979
Zaire (Protocol I only)	3 June 1982
Zimbabwe	19 October 1992

Notes

a/ As communicated by the competent authorities of the Government of Switzerland, depositary of the Protocols. By a note dated 15 August 1990, the Permanent Observer Mission of Switzerland informed the Secretary-General as follows:

"On 21 June 1989, the Federal Department for Foreign Affairs received a communication of 14 June 1989 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations Office at Geneva concerning Palestine's participation in the four Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and their two additional Protocols of 8 June 1977. On 18 September 1989, the Federal Department for Foreign Affairs sent to the States parties to the Conventions an information note of 13 September 1989 regarding this communication, accompanied by the text of the latter. In the information note, the Swiss Federal Council, depositary of the Conventions, brings to the attention of the States parties that it is not in a position to settle the question whether the communication should be considered an instrument of accession within the meaning of the relevant provisions of the Conventions and their Additional Protocols."